

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02543-RC**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
DEFENSE

Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 11/02/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

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**Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/02/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5772813) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Department of Defense)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 11/02/2018)
11/02/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Peterson, James) (Entered: 11/02/2018)
11/05/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (zrdj) (Entered: 11/05/2018)
11/05/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zrdj) (Entered: 11/05/2018)
11/26/2018	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 11/9/2018. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 12/9/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 11/9/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE served on 11/8/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Peterson, James) (Entered: 11/26/2018)

12/10/2018	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Roberto Cesar Martens, Jr on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 12/10/2018)
12/10/2018	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.(Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 12/10/2018)
12/11/2018		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and jointly submit a proposed briefing schedule on or before December 26, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/11/18. (lcrc1) (Entered: 12/11/2018)
12/13/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 12/26/2018 (tj) (Entered: 12/13/2018)
12/21/2018	<u>7</u>	PROPOSED BRIEFING SCHEDULE re Order <i>for Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 12/21/2018)
12/27/2018		MINUTE ORDER adopting <u>7</u> the parties' joint proposed briefing schedule: It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before February 21, 2019; Plaintiff shall file its opposition to Defendant's motion and its cross-motion for summary judgment on or before March 21, 2019; Defendant shall file its reply in support of its motion and its opposition to Plaintiff's cross-motion on or before April 11, 2019; and Plaintiff shall file its reply in support of its cross-motion on or before April 25, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on December 27, 2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 12/27/2018)
12/27/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 3/21/2019. Response to Cross Motions due by 4/11/2019. Reply to Cross Motions due by 4/25/2019. Summary Judgment motions due by 2/21/2019. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 3/21/2019. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 4/11/2019. (gdf) (Entered: 12/28/2018)
02/08/2019	<u>8</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Briefing Schedule</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/08/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>8</u> Motion for Extension of Time: it is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before March 21, 2019. It is FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff shall file its opposition to Defendant's motion and its cross-motion for summary judgment on or before April 18, 2019. It is FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant shall file its reply in support of its motion and its opposition to Plaintiff's cross-motion on or before May 9, 2019. It is FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff shall file its reply in support of its crossmotion on or before May 23, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 2/8/19. (lcrc1) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
03/06/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 4/18/2019. Response to Cross Motions due by 5/9/2019. Reply to Cross Motions due by 5/23/2019. Summary Judgment motions due by 3/21/2019. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 4/18/2019. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 5/9/2019. (tj) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/14/2019	<u>9</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Briefing Schedule</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Martens, Roberto) (Entered: 03/14/2019)
03/14/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>9</u> Motion for Extension of Time: it is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall file its motion for summary judgment on or before April 11, 2019; Plaintiff shall file its opposition to Defendant's motion and its cross-motion for summary judgment on or before May 9, 2019; Defendant shall file its reply in support of its motion and its opposition to Plaintiff's cross-motion on or before May 23, 2019; and Plaintiff shall file its reply in support of its cross-motion on or before June 6, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 3/14/19. (lcrc1) (Entered: 03/14/2019)